

## **COMMERCIAL SERVICE**

## APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED TRADE MISSION STATUS

Please print or type the information requested below on organizational letterhead. Fax or mail a completed Application for Certified Trade Mission Status to each Commercial Service post on the mission's proposed itinerary. Applications for Congressional or Governor-led missions maybe faxed directly to Project Officer Geraldine Whitley (202/482-2718).

- 1. Name, address, telephone and fax numbers of sponsoring organization.
- 2. Name, address, telephone & fax numbers of mission sponsor, i.e. (trade association, state or local government, regional group, etc.). Also list any co-sponsoring organizations, if applicable.
- 3. Name of proposed Trade Mission.
- 4. Please provide a description of your mission. Outline your goals and objectives and indicate names of VIP leaders, if appropriate.
- 5. Proposed itinerary. (Please give as much detail as possible.)
- 6. Services/assistance requested from the post if status is approved (e.g., one-on-one business appointments, plant visits, translators, reception, hotel and transportation arrangements).
- 7. Projected number of participants/companies.
- 8. Product categories/industries to be promoted.
- 9. Target date of advance trip, name of advance officer, and proposed itinerary.
- 10. Name, address, phone and fax numbers of contact(s) currently assisting in mission organization overseas, if applicable.

- I 1. List any specific organizations, from the private and public sectors, with whom you know you wish to meet.
- 12. Outline of promotional campaign to be conducted in recruiting mission (e.g., mailing, fax campaign, brochure distribution at other trade events, radio spots). Be as specific as possible and include target dates, when available.
- 13. Deadline for accepting applications from participants.
- 14. Proof, such as a copy of letter of invitation, that your mission has a host organization in countries that require such an arrangement (e.g., China). Give host's name, address, telephone & fax and contact name(s).
- 15. Specify any need for special space and/or equipment for audiovisual presentations or technical programs.
- 16. Applicant must include, sign, and date the following statement on application:

I hereby agree to abide by all Conditions of Participation set forth by the U.S. Department of Commerce (see attached) and guarantee to provide funds to finance all overseas costs incurred on my mission's behalf.

Please type or print name and title under the signature.

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